

**Combined Health & Human Services Committee / Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, March 13, 2003**

Chairs Herro and Farrell called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Ken Herro (Chair), Sandy Wolff, Jim Jeskewitz, Paul Pronold, Mareth Kipp, and Alicia Silva. **Absent:** Carl Seitz.

**Board Members Present:** Citizen Members Dennis Farrell, (Chair), Dick Wutt, Mike O'Brien, JoAnn Weidmann, John Guy, and Supervisors Pat Haukohl, Duane Paulson, Duane Stamsta, Vera Stroud, and Joe Griffin.

**Also Present:** Chief of Staff Lee Esler, Health and Human Services Director Peter Schuler, Public Health Advisory Committee Co-Chair Dr. Constantine Panagis, Public Health Manager Dr. Nancy Healy Haney, Public Health Advisory Committee Member Leila Leisch, AODA Advisory Committee Chair Harlow Bielefeldt, Clinical Services Manager Mike DeMares, and Clinical Services Supervisor Bill Graham.

**COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Approve Minutes of February 27, 2003**

**MOTION:** Jim Jeskewitz made a motion, seconded by Alicia Silva to accept the minutes of the February 27, 2003 meeting. Vote taken and motion carried.

**Report of the Veterans' Services Department**

Veterans Services Director, John Margowski reviewed and summarized his annual report to the Board and Committee.

**MOTION:** Sandy Wolff made a motion, seconded by Alicia Silva to accept the annual report of the Veterans' Services Department as presented by John Margowski. Vote taken and motion carried.

**Executive Committee Report**

Ken Herro reported on the last Executive Committee meeting. The County Code was discussed and some of these codes are in conflict with state statutes. They will not be changing the size of the county board and there will be no 2/3 votes on increasing personnel. Jim Jeskewitz gave a report on the last WCA meeting.

**Correspondence**

Notice of the Joint Advisory Committee Meeting

**Meeting Approvals**

**MOTION:** Alicia Silva made a motion, seconded by Sandy Wolff to approve the mileage for any committee member attending the Joint Advisory Committee to be held at Goodwill on April 3, 2003. Vote taken and motion carried.

**Advisory Committee Reports**

Dennis Farrell stated that Michael Wagner, Privacy Officer for HIPAA for the Human Services Department, spoke at the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee yesterday.

**Schedule Next Meeting Dates**

March 27, 2003 (combined with the board)

**MOTION:** Mareth Kipp made a motion, seconded by Jim Jeskewitz to adjourn the committee portion of the meeting. Vote taken and motion carried.

**BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**

Peter Schuler introduced Mike O'Brien who is the new citizen member of the board filling in the vacancy left by Mary Baer upon her resignation. Mike currently works for the State Department of Transportation and has been very involved in working with AODA volunteers.

Due to time constraints Dennis Farrell announced that the Board would go directly to the Public Health Advisory Committee presentation of its 2004 Needs List.

### **COMBINED AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **Review Public Health Advisory Committee Needs List**

Dr. Constantine Panagis and Leila Leisch presented the 2004 list of Public Health Advisory Committee needs. The Needs List and supporting documents were distributed. Because of the increases in workload as a result of HIPAA, Emergency Preparedness/Bioterrorism Response Plan/Smallpox Plan, Consolidated Contract Negotiation and Monitoring, Community Assessment Behavior Risk Survey, and an increase of information technology related to public health, the Advisory Committee is asking for an additional position in Public Health of a Human Services Coordinator to handle the additional tasks. Additional funding for this position would be \$67,553. Public Health is also in need of a Hispanic bilingual staff person. Over 33% of Public Health Division clients are of Hispanic origin. Funding recommendation for this contract position is \$13,190.

#### **Review AODA Advisory Committee Needs List**

Harlow Bielefeldt, Chair of the AODA Advisory Committee presented the 2004 Needs List. The Needs List was distributed. The AODA Advisory Committee is strongly supporting the addition of one case manager to assist clients making the transition from the jail back into the community. It is estimated that 80% of jail inmates have AODA issues. The funding for this position is hoped to be coming from the Criminal Justice Collaborating Council budget expansion for 2004.

The second need is to continue funding to Rogers Memorial in West Allis for their program which is providing AODA treatment services to those individuals with dual diagnoses as a cost-effective alternative to more costly institutional placement.

Chair Bielefeldt stated there is also a need for the Hispanic community to be able to access local intensive outpatient treatment. Local providers will be asked to submit proposals for culturally competent programming similar to that available in Milwaukee County.

The second and third needs can be cost-neutral and provided without increased cost if the AODA budget is maintained at current levels.

#### **Future Agenda Items**

Invite Michelle Cyrulik, Coordinator for the Criminal Justice Collaborating Council to a future meeting. Dennis Farrell suggested that we have a representative from the Southeast Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to speak on future freeway plans and regional transportation.

**MOTION:** Dick Wutt made a motion, seconded by Vera Stroud to adjourn the Board portion of the meeting. Vote taken and motion carried.

Recorded by Kathy Leach, Health & Human Services Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia Silva  
Secretary for the Committee